

BLM Filming Fees

Processing/Monitoring and Rental fees must be paid before filming is permitted on public land. Generally it is easiest to submit all fees with the application. Processing fees are non-refundable, but monitoring and rental fees will be refunded if the application is not approved.

PROCESSING AND MONITORING FEES vary depending on the estimated BLM work hours required to process the application and to monitor filming and reclamation. In most cases, minimal impact filming at popular locations requires Category 1 fees. These are generally paid with the application after coordination with the local BLM contact. The fees are based on the following schedule:

CATEGORY	BLM WORK HOURS	2016 PROCESSING/MONITORING FEES*
1	1 to 8	\$122
2	8 to 24	\$428
3	24 to 36	\$806
4	36 to 50	\$1,156
5	<i>Not applicable to film permits</i>	
6	50+	Full reimbursement for actual costs

*Processing and Monitoring fees may be assessed using separate categories

RENTAL FEES vary per state and are generally established by statewide appraisals. The following schedules are from the three states that process the most BLM filming permits:

CALIFORNIA RENTAL SCHEDULE

Motion Pictures/Videos

1 - 30 people	\$250/day
31 - 60 people	\$500/day
Over 60 people	\$600/day

Commercial Still Photography

1 - 10 people	\$100/day
11 - 30 people	\$150/day
Over 30 people	\$250/day

NEVADA RENTAL SCHEDULE

Motion Pictures/Videos

1 - 30 people	\$250 location/day
31 - 60 people	\$500 location/day
Over 60 people	\$600 location/day

Commercial Still Photography

1 - 10 people	\$100 location/day
11 - 30 people	\$150 location/day
Over 30 people	\$250 location/day

UTAH RENTAL SCHEDULE

Motion Pictures/Videos

1 - 30 people	\$250/location/day
31 - 60 people	\$500/location/day
Over 60 people	\$600/location/day

Commercial Still Photography

1 - 10 people	\$100/location/day
11 - 30 people	\$150/location/day
Over 30 people	\$250/location/day

INSURANCE: All applications must include a certificate of insurance naming the United States Department of the Interior - BLM as co-insured. Contact the appropriate BLM Field Office for specific dollar amount.

BONDING: Permittees may be required to provide cash bonds to assure reclamation of sets or sensitive locations.